



## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

The wet dry issue will surface again soon in Elba. Plans to present a completely new petition with fresh signatures this past Monday were delayed. Those gathering the names went to city hall but found they needed a few more signatures to be sure they met the legal requirements to get the issue on the June 7th ballot.

Elba has a new city clerk ... or maybe not. The city council named Jim Nichols to the position Monday night. However Mayor Haywood decided to go to the state to get a new one. Jim went home until someone decided Elba really needed a new clerk. Elba folks are in a holding pattern awaiting the next chapter of this latest "Saga on the River Pear" or whatever. We have heard some interesting possibilities (or speculations). It might or might not be related but all the locks were changed at city hall Tuesday afternoon. It will be awful to wait.

Interest rates are continuing their slow rise, going up again this week for the third time this year. It is only the banks charge each other on daily deposits, but most other interest rates are pegged to this. Fed Fund Rate, set by the Federal Reserve. While the increases are small, one example of the change in a home mortgage was this: a \$125,000 mortgage will cost about \$120 extra per month, even with these small increases.

That June 7th election day is getting closer and closer. While the general public has many options, the candidates themselves are busy putting up signs and banners. We are personally moving very slowly in deciding our choices in many of the races. Mostly it is because we just don't know enough to decide which way to go but then we are not real excited yet either. We are wide Democratic or Republican. If we go with the Republican side, we don't get to vote in some races in which we have a definite personal interest. If we stay with the Democrats, we might allow a handful of people to name the Republican nominees, and possibly the governor ... it has to be better, we are actively involved in our communities and that will make him perfect!

Coffee County is very fortunate to have as County Engineer Mark Pool. Last week he was recognized by his peers in the Alabama County Engineers' Association as Engineer of the Year. We regularly see the good things he does for the county. He is a true highway department joke about holding their pocketbooks when Mark drives into Montgomery. They admit that he usually talks them out of more state or federal funds for some special projects) in Coffee County, Aside from all that, we are proud to count Mark Pool as one of our personal friends. There are admittedly a few things he needs to do better, but we are actively involved in our communities and that will make him perfect!

The United Nations peace keeping forces are still standing at all in Sarajevo. Apparently the UN is wasting every dime spent on the project. The national TV news reports are usually in two segments. They report the other but one will report a cease fire agreement and the other will tell of more fighting and killing. It was in the same area as the cease fire was declared yesterday. They never mention who decreed the break in fighting. Sounds like there's some bad blood between the two sides there. One ethnic group of people with certain beliefs fighting neighbor with differing ethnic lines ... there is enough difference in physical features to telegraph. Over there those folks all have the same features ... shake one of each side up in a sack and you can't tell which one falls first. It's only their heads that the neighbors have.

The Singapore spanking. The law enforcement folks in that far off place are getting a lot of advice on administering their laws. We understand this type of punishment is passed out several hundred times a year, which makes it hard to expect any change just because the kid happens to be a rotten, spoiled American.

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#### GUEST EDITORIAL

## Lawyer Praises Sunshine Law

by Dennis R. Bailey,  
Rushston, Stakeley, Johnston &  
Garrett P.A.

We have the distinction of being the first state in the nation to adopt a Sunshine Law. No, this has nothing to do with the weather. It concerns one of the very core values of our state government. That the business of government will be conducted in the open - the "sunshine" if you will. Hence the name: "Sunshine Law". Ours was enacted in 1917.

We also have the distinction of having one of the simplest Sunshine laws. Our Sunshine Law prohibits secret meetings of government commissions, boards, or committees except when the "good name and character" of a person is involved.

One of the methods for subverting the law has been to hold "special" meetings at odd hours, dates or places without notifying the public. Theoretically, the door to the meeting would be open and any interested person who showed up upon the meeting would be welcome. In practice, however, in open meetings laws also seem to have the public's involvement or knowledge.

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newspapers that rather than simply Sunshine Law, says nothing specifically about prior notice. However, our Supreme Court has recently made it clear that no excuse. On January 14, 1994, the Alabama Supreme Court ruled that even though notice was not expressly stated, our Sunshine Law requires that "reasonable notice" be given to the public of all meetings that must be open to the public. Their common sense reasoning was that it is hard to attend a meeting if you do not know when and where it will be held.

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## ELBA POLICE REPORT

APR. 12 Thru APR. 18, 1994

The Elba Police Department, being Tuesday April 12, 1994, investigated the following incidents: One VPL four-gang, one verbal threat, six thefts, one menacing, six harassments, two criminal mischiefs, numerous complaints, one argument, one public lewdness, one homicide, one vehicle incident, one criminal trespassing, one DUI, and one driver's license suspended.

Two citations issued during the week, one for driving under the influence, one for speeding, one for DUI, two for operating tag, one driving with suspended license, one driving and one for driving's license required.

The following arrests were made: one for harassment and one for criminal mischief.

Two daily activity highlights are follows:

TUESDAY, APR. 12 - Burglary reported at Bill Stokes' office (3:00 p.m.); Alarm at Elba General Hospital (3:09 p.m.); Alarm at Elba General Hospital (5:26 p.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (9:22 p.m.). Fire units dispatched to house trailer fire on West St. (10:44 p.m.)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13 - Routine activity.

THURSDAY, APRIL 14 - Rescue run to a residence on Sunset Blvd. to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Attempted burglary reported at a residence on Putnam St. (12:05 p.m.); Wreck run to a residence on AL Hwy. 167 (2:02 p.m.); Prowler reported at Morrow Village (10:24 p.m.).

FRIDAY, APRIL 15 - Rescue run to a residence on Sunset Blvd. (7:38 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (12:21 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Co. Rd. 410 (5:17 p.m.); Wreck

reported on AL Hwy. 87N (8:50 a.m.); Alarm at SouthTrust Bank (9:30 a.m.); St. Paul's reported to West St. (9:53 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on West St. (9:53 p.m.).

SATURDAY, APRIL 16 - Alarm at National Security Fire and Casua

lity Co. (7:31 a.m.); Burglary at Legion Field (7:39 a.m.); Alarm at SouthTrust Bank (7:59 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (7:40 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on AL Hwy. 167 (10:32 p.m.); Prowler reported on Smith Ave. (10:50 p.m.).

SUNDAY, APRIL 17 - Rescue run to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 84W & AL Hwy. 141 (8:25); Fire & rescue units dispatched to wreck on AL Hwy. 141 (8:25); Alarm at SouthTrust Bank (7:59 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (7:40 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on AL Hwy. 167 (10:32 p.m.); Prowler reported on Smith Ave. (10:50 p.m.).

MONDAY, APRIL 18 - Wreck reported to a residence on Sunset Blvd. to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Alarm at Farmer's Bait Shop (12:48 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on AL Hwy. 167 (2:02 p.m.); Prowler reported at Morrow Village (10:24 p.m.).

TUESDAY, APRIL 19 - Wreck reported to a residence on Sunset Blvd. to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Alarm at Farmer's Bait Shop (12:48 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on AL Hwy. 167 (2:02 p.m.); Prowler reported at Morrow Village (10:24 p.m.).

FRIDAY, APRIL 22 - Wreck reported to a residence on Sunset Blvd. to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (12:21 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Co. Rd. 410 (5:17 p.m.); Wreck

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SUNDAY, APRIL 24 - Wreck reported to a residence on Sunset Blvd. to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Alarm at Farmer's Bait Shop (12:48 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on AL Hwy. 167 (2:02 p.m.); Prowler reported at Morrow Village (10:24 p.m.).

MONDAY, APRIL 25 - Wreck reported to a residence on Sunset Blvd. to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (12:21 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Co. Rd. 410 (5:17 p.m.); Wreck

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TUESDAY, APRIL 26 - Wreck reported to a residence on Sunset Blvd. to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (12:21 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Co. Rd. 410 (5:17 p.m.); Wreck

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SATURDAY, APRIL 27 - Alarm at National Security Fire and Casua

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SUNDAY, APRIL 28 - Wreck reported to a residence on Sunset Blvd. to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (12:21 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Co. Rd. 410 (5:17 p.m.); Wreck

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MONDAY, APRIL 29 - Wreck reported to a residence on Sunset Blvd. to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (12:21 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Co. Rd. 410 (5:17 p.m.); Wreck

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TUESDAY, APRIL 30 - Wreck reported to a residence on Sunset Blvd. to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (12:21 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Co. Rd. 410 (5:17 p.m.); Wreck

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SUNDAY, MAY 5 - Wreck reported to a residence on Sunset Blvd. to Elba Villas (7:22 a.m.); Wreck reported at the intersection of AL Hwy. 87S and Co. Rd. 461 (7:22 a.m.); Alarm at Elba Elementary School (12:21 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Co. Rd. 410 (5:17 p.m.); Wreck

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ELBA CITY SCHOOLS  
LUNCHROOM MENUS  
April 25 - 29, 1994

**BREAKFAST**  
Monday - Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Tuesday - Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Milk  
Wednesday - Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Milk  
Thursday - Eggs, Toast, Juice, Milk  
Friday - Sausage & Biscuit, Juice, Milk

**LUNCH**  
Monday - Pizza, Corn, Carrot Sticks, Fries, Milk  
Tuesday - Spaghetti, Green Salad, Garbanzo Beans, Roasted Potatoes, Croquettes, Canned Potatoes, Butterbeans, Fruit, Rolls, Milk  
Thursday - Turkey, Corn Dogs, Cheese & Potato, Fruit, Milk  
Friday - Hamburger, Onions, French Fries, Green Beans, Pudding, Milk

**EAT HEALTHY**

**EHS CURRENTS**

by Molly Mills & Dana Stinson  
The Student Council speeches will be given on Monday, April 25th, after homeroom.

Students interested in the COOP Program for this summer and next school year should turn their applications in to Mrs. Stinson.

The Elba Tiger Baseball Team will travel to Andalusia on Tuesday, April 21st at 3:30 to battle the Bulldogs for a doubleheader. They will Open at 5:00, April 25th and G.W. Long on 4:00 on April 26th. Please come out and support the team.

The Elba Lady Tiger Softball Team will travel to New Brockton on Thursday, April 21 at 3:30 to begin the Gamecock Festival. They will Open at 4:00 on April 25th and in Enterprise at 4:00 on April 26th. Show your school spirit and support the Lady Tigers!!



The Driver's Education classes at EHS recently held a program, and their guest speaker was State Trooper Ronnie Whitworth. He is shown here discussing Alabama laws with German exchange student Miriam Vollhardt.

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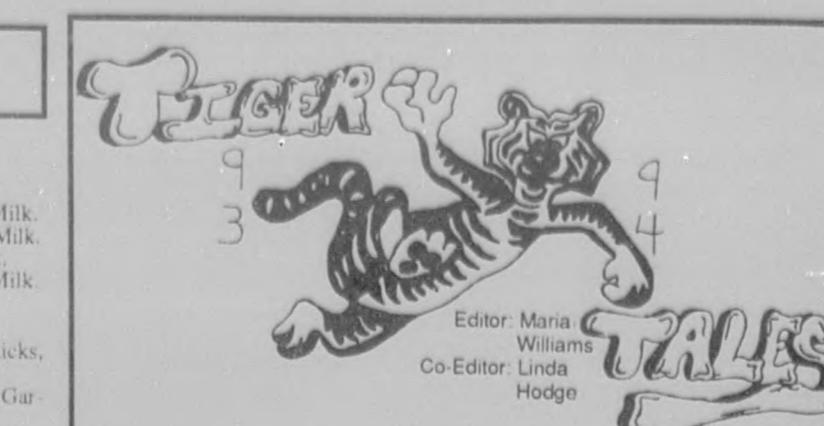
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## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Pictured above (l to r) are Mica Fanning, Samantha Siter, and Costelus Lawrence.

by Robyn Rhoades & Stacy Seay

Mica Fanning is the seventh grade daughter of Pam and Ron Sondergaard. She enjoys reading, singing, and dancing. Samantha Siter is the ninth grade daughter of Jeannette and Marvin Siter. She enjoys reading, singing, and dancing. Samantha is a member of Mu Alpha Theta, VICA, Drama Club, and attends Oak Grove Baptist Church.

Costelus Lawrence is the son of Pamela Mitchell. He is in the ninth grade and enjoys jogging and playing video games. Costelus is a member of Mu Alpha Theta, VICA, Drama Club, and attends Oak Grove Baptist Church.

The Elba High School FBLA Club was well represented and recognized at the State Leadership Conference in Montgomery, Alabama on April 7-8. Our chapter brought home eight awards. These included first place, American Enterprise Project, Report section, Local Chapter Annual Business Report, second place, Job Description Manual; second place Outstanding Chapter in District IV; Gold Seal Award of Merit; Publicity Project and 100 Percent Membership.

American Enterprise Project Report. The award winning report summarized our American enterprise activities. This year's theme was, Shop in Elba. The report included topics such as planning, organizing, development of activities, implementation, and evaluation in the shop and the community. It also included letters sent to business, news articles about the project, radio announcements, flyers, etc. As a result of winning first place, our chapter received a trophy and \$25.

Local Chapter Annual Business Report. The report was written by the FBLA Club. It summarized all the club's activities for the year. Some of the topics included were school and community; when and how chapter was organized; attendance and participation in state, regional, and national competition; recognition of school, community, and industrial activities; job descriptions and resume of the job experience. This was the first time an Elba FBLA chapter has participated in the job description contest in the state competition; our chapter received a trophy and \$15.

Job Description Manual. This manual was prepared by Jennifer Hollingshead. She had to gather information about her job as a general office clerk in the business office of the Dyer's, Inc. This report included information on the following topics: overview of the company, job field, review of company job analysis, and resume of the job experience. This first time an Elba FBLA chapter has participated in the job description contest in the state competition; Jennifer received a trophy and \$15 for her report.

Publicity Project. Our club received one of the three publicity awards given at the state conference. This report summarized promotion of public relations, campus activities, and other promotional activities.

Outstanding Chapter in District IV. We won second place for our FBLA chapter that we participated in during the year. This award was based on a point system. Activities included participation in state and district training conference, District IV Meetings, state conference; written reports entered at the state contest; contestants; state fair; and others.

State Project. We completed several requests/requests during the year to receive a state award. Some activities included performing community service; contributing to the Foundation/Mission Project; attending the officer training conference, District IV Meeting, and State Conference; working in the courthouse; publicizing FBLA; and teaming up with other organizations to promote Vocational Education Week and 100 Percent Membership Award. We received this award because all the members in the business classes are also members of FBLA.

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## Elba Students Win In AEC Essay Contest

by Amanda Calhoun

Alabama Electric Cooperative sponsored its annual essay contest with ten winners from Mrs. Padgett's second and fifth grade classes. All students in each class submitted an essay written about topics given by AEC. Mrs. Padgett chose the ten best essays and those winners were all given a tour of the AEC plant in Andalusia, AL. The winners included: Mary Stephens, Shea Ward, Cary Clark, Jennifer Hollingshead, Dany Williams, and Linda Hodge. Cary Clark, Elma Strong, Dany Williams, Patrick Scarborough, Shaeisha Williams, and Jackie Tyson. From the top five finalists, AEC members chose five students to participate in an interview with judges in order to decide the top three winners. Cary Clark, Shea Ward, and Jennifer Hollingshead were chosen to travel to Washington, DC this summer. Shea Ward was chosen as the Washington trip winner. Charles Bozeman was chosen as first alternate. Cary Clark, Elma Strong, Dany Williams, Patrick Scarborough, Shaeisha Williams, and Jackie Tyson. 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**The Pressbox**  
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There is only one way to find out the answer to something you don't know, and that is to ask a question. McLanahan may not know a whole lot quite yet, but at her current pace of asking questions she'll be a genius before long. Lately she has been asking what a lot of words mean, what people on TV mean when they say things, and trying to figure some things out. It seems like she is learning one of the most important words in her vocabulary. We try to answer every question she asks, but that isn't always easy, and we want to be sure we give her the right answer so she won't be misled. It may be time for Dad to go back and do a little homework!

**ELBA TIGERS CLAIM TWO BIG AREA 4 WINS**

The Elba Tigers were with a long way from playing like everyone expected them to; however, they did claim two important Area 4 wins last week and are once again the favorites to win the 3A, Area 4 title. The Tigers claimed an easy win last Monday over a Luverne team that has struggled through a rough year, and on Tuesday the Tigers made the long trip to Luverne and had to travel the 100 miles to Luverne and improve their Area 4 title 2-0 with two big games left in the week. They closed out the week Friday with a loss to Opp, and by the end of the week the Tigers' overall record stood at 4-6. Not bad, but certainly not very good.

The wins over Luverne and Louisville were big wins for the Tigers as they were not expected to be competitive, but they were. The wins were impressive and it was obvious in both games that the Tigers simply don't have the team that everyone expected. Elba seemed to lack enthusiasm, didn't seem fired up about anything that happened, or could possibly happen, and through the motions, like it has throughout the season. This is not the players' fault; they are better than the team they are. There were six year old players in recent years have challenged for state championships in Dixie Youth, Babe Ruth and High School, but all of the sudden it appears that the players have lost the togetherness, pride and determination.

These players have lost the will to win, and may take winning for granted. If that is the problem, they should have found out by now that other teams are wanting to win more than they are and the time for a major "gut check" is now. There is no one to point any fingers at...the players have the skills to win and know how to play baseball. It's up to them.

**ELBA LADY TIGERS MOVE OVER .500 WITH THREE WINS**

The Elba Lady Tigers claimed three wins in four games last week to move them over the .500 mark at 4-4. The Lady Tigers split a doubleheader with the power of Opp last week, and then won the week, then swept past a solid Geneva team late in the week to gain some important momentum going into another busy week of action.

Elba hasn't played nearly as many games as high school teams, and the Lady Tigers have yet to really settle into a game-type atmosphere. However, the wins last week will do much to provide a spark and maybe the Lady Tigers are closer to getting on a roll that will see them roll right back into the state tournament.

**ELBA LADIES COLLECTING SCALPS IN EARLY SEASON**

I have never really been all that big an Atlanta Braves fan, but I'll admit that so far this season I have watched at least parts of every single game and have enjoyed the Braves as they have won, and won, and won. A team in position day in and day out, but most of all I like to watch the enthusiasm of the Braves youngsters like Klesko, Lopez and Tarasco. The spirit of the younger players has pumped new life into the Atlanta veterans, and the combination has been success. So far, I am a die-hard "94 Braves fan!

**ON THE GRILL, ONCE OVER LIGHTLY ...**

\*\*\*The Alabama High School Athletes Association mailed out its March "Bullettin" last week and included in the monthly newsletter was a long list of schools that the secretary of the state has scheduled to play in the state. Elba is released in schedule a week, but the Tigers did decide to play 10 games, possible matchups would include Clayton, Excel, Trinity, Clarke County, Talladega, Albia, Citronelle, Autauga and Greenville. The Kinston Bulldogs listed a date last the date of the week, and after talking with the local press, options included Goshen, Lyman Ward, Elmore County and St. Paul's. Enterprise has its open date listed as the first week of Jess Lanner, Parker or Valley.

\*\*\*The passage of three proposals by the AHSAH Council recently has caused a stir in the state. I've always thought that it's never good just to change simply for the sake of change. One of the proposals that I believe would have helped the schools across the state included: giving schools a 30-day period at the end of school to play 10 games, possible matchups would include Clayton, Excel, Trinity, Clarke County, Talladega, Albia, Citronelle, Autauga and Greenville. The Kinston Bulldogs listed a date last the date of the week, and after talking with the local press, options included Goshen, Lyman Ward, Elmore County and St. Paul's. Enterprise has its open date listed as the first week of Jess Lanner, Parker or Valley.

\*\*\*The Elba Tigers and Elba Lady Tigers took the first step toward having a home field in baseball and softball last week when it was announced that the fencing would be completed soon on the fields located on the Elba High campus. The fields are located behind the school complex and appear to be in great condition. The school officials are very excited about this. Maybe if funds are received, the fields will be ready for the 1994 season, thus completing the athletic fields at the campus. Since the fields will be new, I urge the athletic and school officials to grass the infield of the baseball field. Elba now plays on one of the few dirt infields around in the high school ranks, and this will be the chance to give the baseball team the same top-notch place to play as the football and basketball teams.

\*\*\*It was good to see former-Alabama basketball coach Wampus Anderson last week. The college coaching event was held at Arkansas Little Rock. Anderson is the coach of the state's flag football team as he led the Crimson Tide to 10 NCAA tournaments, and made "plaid the fad" for all Tide basketball fans. Anderson's colorful reign ended when he was fired by the University of Alabama. Anderson never admitted to guilt to any accusations; however, he did resign and allowed the press to settle out-of-court with the secretary. Anderson was passed over by many schools that would have loved to have him as their coach. He is a great coach, you can bet that his next move won't be nearly as long in coming. Many times the first step is the hardest, and that step has now been taken!

# SPORTS

**Elba goes 2-0 in Area 4 race**

## Tigers begin to show signs of life

The Elba Tigers began to show signs of life last week as they posted two wins in three games to improve their record for the season to 4-6. The Tigers opened the season in grand fashion as they claimed an important Area 4 wins over Luverne 11-0 and Louisville 6-4, then closed out the week Friday with a loss to 4A Opp 10-5.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

**ELBA 4**

**LUVERNE 0**

The Elba Tigers pounded out 11 hits and rode the 2-hit pitching of Cory Driggers last Monday as they posted the Luverne Tigers 11-0, in Luverne.

**ELBA LADY TIGERS win three of four, improve to 6-4**

The Elba Lady Tigers had a big week on the softball field last week as they posted three wins in four games to improve their record to 6-4.

The Lady Tigers opened the week on Monday by splitting a doubleheader with Opp, then Thursday swept Geneva.

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**OPP 0**

Elba pitcher Wendy Boutwell limited Opp to only three base-runners in seven innings as the Lady Tigers blanked the Lady Bobcats 4-0.

**ELBA 8**

**LOUISVILLE 4**

The Elba Lady Tigers made it a clean sweep as they rallied late to down the Geneva Lady Panthers 8-4.

The Lady Tigers rallied for an early 1-0 in the opening inning as Marian Smith and Katonya Peterson both got 3 hits to lead Lady Tiger batters, while Marian Smith and Katonya Peterson added 2 hits.

Cory Driggers pitched a two-hitter, with 8 strikeouts and only 2 walks, to get the mound win.

**ELBA 21**

**OPP 2**

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**MINISTER FAREWELL**... The Southeast and Union District Ministers Union hosted a farewell dinner at the Greenville Holiday Inn recently for Rev. and Mrs. J.H. Curry. Ministers present were, from left, Raymond Maldard, R. F. McCleary, Rickey Scott, R.D. McCleary, R.D. Gandy, C.A. Bennett, J.H. Curry, J.R. Parks, Leroy Gandy, and J. Jones. Not shown, but present were Rev. Tillman, Robert Lewis and the ministers' wives.



**KENDRICK ART CONTEST WINNERS**... The winners of the Kendrick Community Room AEA Art Contest are: (l to r) Danae Ware, Nikki Daniels, and Jason McDonald.



**KENDRICK OLYMPIC PRIZE WINNERS**... AEA Olympic prize winners from Kendrick Community Center are: (front l to r) Dougie Kyles, Quinton Moore, Karen Goodwin, and (back l to r) Nikki Daniels, Kimberly McDonald, Jason McDonald, Jennifer Barlow, Danae Ware, Meagan Davis, and Alicia Hudson.



**EBS THIRD GRADERS ENJOY PROGRAM**... Elba Elementary third graders enjoy a program which presented to Alabama Power. The program, Magnets, provided insight and involved our students in experimentation with magnets and their many uses in our daily lives.



**CULTURAL EXCHANGE**... The Coffee County Council of the Association for Family and Community Education, hosted a cultural exchange program on April 5, 1994, at the New Brockton Farm Center. Aitziber Garcia of Spain (center) and Vladimir Premru of Yugoslavia (right) were guest speakers. Smokey Burgess is the community coordinator for International Education Forum.

## Ma Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe to meet Sunday, April 24

The Ma Chis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama will hold a meeting on Sunday, April 24, at 2:00 p.m. at the Tribal Office. The office is located at 708 S. John Street in New Brockton, Alabama. The meeting will be in reference to federal recognition and payment of energy bills. For additional information call 894-5631.

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Selected scripture: Isaiah 40: 1-5. Thirty-Second Appreciation

Thinking of you, praying for you. Mr. Rue Head, Mr. Dennis Kellor, Rev. Charles Lane, Mr. Alan Geddes, Mrs. Evelyn Guley, Mr. Johnnie M. Daniels, Mrs. Annie M. Daniels, the Baldwin family, Mr. Charles S. Hooks.

**Annual Youth Revival**  
 The Annual Youth Revival of the Rocky Head MB Church of Elba, AL, Rev. A. R. Williams, pastor, will be held April 20-22, 1994, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

The evangelist will be Rev. W. M. Daniels, pastor of Macdonia Baptist Church, Lockhart, Alabama.

The Master of Ceremony will be Bro. Curtis Kelley.

Wednesday, April 20, 1994: The welcome will be given by Sis. Stephanie Williams followed by a short talk by Bro. D. J. Belcher.

The evening will be given by Sis. Brittany Daniels followed with a short talk by Bro. Costello Lawrence.

Friday night, April 22, 1994: The welcome will be given by Sis. Kimberly Rideaux, Opp, AL, was the week-end guest of Jana and Melissa Kelley, Elba, AL.

All churches are invited to worship with us and please bring your youth.

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 Cleaven and Vera Williams, Elba, AL, were dinner guests of Mrs. Anne L. Williams, Elba, AL, Sunday evening.

A Benefit Program for Sis. Alice G. Henderson and Sis. Versie Barnes will be held at Rocky Head MB Church, Elba, AL, on Saturday, April 22, 1994, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Rev. A. R. Williams is pastor.

The devotion will be given by Sis. Catherine Waters and Sis. Annie P. Siler. The welcome/occasion will be given by Sis. Mary H. Hooks. The speaker will be the Widows' Support Group and Rocky Head MB Church.

Everyone is invited.

Today is a good day. Be grateful.

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**OUR PRIDE IS SHINING THROUGH**... Students at Elba Elementary School were their new school t-shirts with pride. The t-shirt logo, "Our Pride Is Shining Through", is the theme that Elba Elementary School also proudly displays on the classroom wall. The picture shows students wearing the shirts in their colors yellow to show their "pride is shining through" in their school work and in themselves.

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